

“Every day, our firefighters put their lives on the line for the safety of the residents of Fresno,” said Costa. **“We have an obligation to protect these brave men and women and ensure that they have the best equipment and training possible. This grant is a significant and smart investment in the safety of all Fresnoans.”**

Awarded through the Operations and Safety Program Area of the AFG awards, the Fresno Fire Department was awarded \$236,880. This funding can be used for training, equipment, personal protective equipment, wellness and fitness, and health and safety modifications to stations and facilities.

The purpose of the AFG Program is to award funding directly to fire departments and EMS organizations that are unaffiliated with a hospital to improve their ability to protect the health and safety of the public, as well as that of first responders. Through a competitive process overseen by experts in the fire service field, AFG grants are awarded to applicants whose requests best address the priorities of the AFG Program. For more information, visit the AFG Program’s [web site](#)

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